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Attention: Federal Resources Branch, Room 3500
for Mr. Garland Hagen

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Dear Mr. van Loben Sels:

SUBJECT: CALIFORNIA'S 1996/97 TO 1998/99 FSTIP AMENDMENT NO. 1

Your letter dated November 18, 1996, documented your transmittal of Amendment No. 1 to the State of California's 1996/97 to 1998/99 federal statewide transportation improvement program (FSTIP). As detailed in your letter, this amendment adds a project in Madera County to provide preliminary engineering support for the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program in the current Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). This letter constitutes FHWA approval and inclusion of Amendment No. 1 into California's 1996/97 to 1998/99 FSTIP.

We find that this amendment was developed based on a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process in accordance with 23 USC 134 and Section 5303 of the Federal Transit Act (49 USC 53). The project included in this amendment are exempt from the requirement that a conformity determination be performed [40 CFR §93.134].

This finding has been coordinated with the regional offices of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Federal Transit Administration (FTA), and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in accordance with the procedures outlined in the Memorandum of Understanding on single mode TIP amendments dated March 8, 1996.

Sincerely yours,

For:
David H. Densmore
Division Administrator